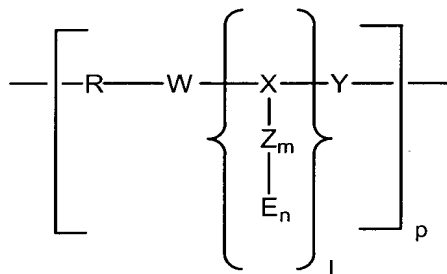


IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph from page 4, line 4 to page 6, line 1 with the following:

The present invention relates in its first aspect to a charged copolymer having the general formula I

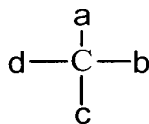


wherein R is an amphiphilic polymer or a homo- or hetero-bifunctional derivative thereof,

and wherein X

i) is an amino acid or an amino acid derivative, a peptide or a peptide derivative or a spermine or a spermidine derivative; or

ii) wherein X is



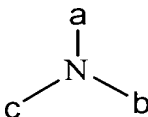
wherein

a is H or, optionally halogen- or dialkylamino-substituted, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl;

and wherein

b, c and d are the same or different, optionally halogen- or dialkylamino-substituted, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkylene; or

iii) wherein X is



wherein

a is H or, optionally halogen- or dialkylamino-substituted, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl,

and wherein

b and c are the same or different, optionally halogen- or dialkylamino-substituted, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkylene; or

iv) wherein X

is a substituted aromatic compound with three functional groupings W<sub>1</sub>Y<sub>1</sub>Z<sub>1</sub>, wherein W, Y and Z have the meanings mentioned below;

wherein

W, Y or Z are the same or different groups CO, NH, O or S or a linker grouping capable of reacting with SH, OH, NH or NH<sub>2</sub>;

and wherein the effector molecule E

is a cationic or anionic peptide or peptide derivative or a spermine or spermidine derivative or a glycosaminoglycane or a non-peptidic oligo/polycation or -anion; wherein

m and n are independently of each other 0, 1 or 2; wherein

p preferably is 3 to 20; and wherein

l is 1 to 5, preferably 1.

If l is > 1, the moiety X-Z<sub>m</sub>-E<sub>n</sub> is the same or different.

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Replace the priority claim on page 1, on the first line of the application after the title with the following:

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This application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 365(c) from International Application No. PCT/EP00/05778, filed June 21, 2000, which was published in the German language.

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